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C O N F I D E N T I A L JAKARTA 4882

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PEPR, THH, ID, CH
SUBJECT: THAI FOREIGN MINISTER REPORTEDLY CARRIES MESSAGE
FROM PRC TO GOI

1. THAI FOREIGN MINISTER UPADIT MADE A SUDDEN, 24 HOUR
STOP IN JAKARTA APRIL 13-14 TO BRIEF GOI LEADERS ON PRIME
MINISTER KRIANGASAK'S RECENT TRIP TO PEKING. UPADIT IS
REPORTEDLY GOING ON TO SINGAPORE, KUALA LUMPUR AND MANILA
TO BRIEF THE OTHER ASEAN STATES.

2. RELIABLE DIPLOMATIC COLLEAGUES HAVE TOLD US THAT
UPADIT CARRIED A LETTER (FROM WHOM IS UNCLEAR) TO THE GOI
AND THAT INDONESIAN FOREIGN MINISTER MOCHTAR, WHO
DEPARTED THIS MORNING FOR THE LOS AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL
MEETINGS, WILL DROP OFF A REPLY IN BANGKOK. WE HAVE NO SPECIFIC
INFORMATION AS YET ON THE CONTENTS OF EITHER LETTER, BUT
SPECULATION IN DIPLOMATIC CIRCLES IS THAT TOPIC WAS RESTORATION
OF NORMAL DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN PRC AND INDONESIA.

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3. MEETING WITH THE PRESS AFTER A TWO-HOUR SESSION WITH
MOCHTAR (A HALF-HOUR OF IT TETE-A-TETE), UPADIT CON-
FIRMED THAT THEY HAD DISCUSSED CHINA'S "STRONG WISH"
TO NORMALIZE RELATIONS WITH INDONESIA AND THE OTHER
ASEAN STATES. HE SAID THAT HE CARRIED "MESSAGES"
FROM THE CHINESE LEADERS TO THE ASEAN GOVERNMENTS AND
THAT THE CHINESE HAD REITERATED TO KRIANGSAK THEIR

SUPPORT FOR ASEAN AND THE CONCEPT OF A SOUTHEAST
ASIAN ZONE OF "PEACE, FREEDOM AND NEUTRALITY."
MOCHTAR WAS EVEN MORE CAUTIOUS IN HIS COMMENTS TO
THE PRESS, WELCOMING THE CHINESE EXPRESSION OF IN-
TEREST IN NORMALIZING RELATIONS, BUT NOTING THAT
"SEVERAL FACTORS WILL STILL HAVE TO BE RESOLVED BEFOREHAND."
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